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| Advisory Action  | 10/634,333   | BERSCHEL ET AL.         |                                       |  |  |  |
| Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief   | Examiner   | Art Unit                | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |  |  |  |
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| The MAILING DATE of this communication appe  | ars on the cover sheet with the c                            | orrespondence addr      | 'ess                                  |  |  |  |
| THE REPLY FILED 18 December 2006 FAILS TO PLACE THI  | S APPLICATION IN CONDITION F                                 | OR ALLOWANCE.           |                                       |  |  |  |
| 1. The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:  |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| a) A The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection. b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no   |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
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| 2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).  AMENDMENTS   |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection,  | but prior to the date of filing a brief                      | f will not be entered b | ecause                                |  |  |  |
| (a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further co (b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE belo (c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in bell appeal; and/or  | nsideration and/or search (see NO w);                        | TE below);              |                                       |  |  |  |
| (d) They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.  NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).  |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| 4. 🔲 The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.1  |  | ompliant Amendment      | (PTOL-324).                           |  |  |  |
| 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): 6. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling  |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| the non-allowable claim(s).  7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is pro The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:  | ☑ will not be entered, or b) ☐ w<br>vided below or appended. | ill be entered and an e | explanation of                        |  |  |  |
| Claim(s) allowed:<br>Claim(s) objected to:   | •  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| Claim(s) rejected: <u>1,3-6,9 and 11</u> . Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE  |  |                         | •                                     |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, be because applicant failed to provide a showing of good an and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).</li> </ol>  |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| 9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome <u>all</u> rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).  10. The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.   |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER  |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| 11. The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:   |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
| 12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)  13. Other:   |  |                         |                                       |  |  |  |
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## Advisory Action

The amendment filed on December 18, 2006 under 37 CFR 1.116 in reply to the final rejection has been considered but is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance and will not be entered because: the proposed amendment raises new issues, such as a new limitations of claim 1, that would require further search and consideration since they were not searched and addressed in the Final Office Action mailed on 9/21/2006.

## Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 3-6, 9 and 11 have been considered but are most because arguments are directed to non-entered Amendment.

## Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Elena Tsoy whose telephone number is 571-272-1429. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM - 5:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Timothy Meeks can be reached on 571-272-142323. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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